

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of

WALTER DI NARDO ET AL

U.S. Serial No. 10/520,895 ✓

Group Art Unit 2873

Filed: January 11, 2005

STORAGE UNIT FOR ELONGATED PRODUCTS

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment / ~~a response~~ in the above-identified application.

  X   No additional fee is required.  
      An additional fee is required as calculated below -

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	<u>Small Entity</u> Addnl. Rate Fee	<u>Other Than A Small Entity</u> Addnl. Rate Fee
Total	<u>28</u>	Minus * <u>28</u>	<u>     </u>	x \$ 25 \$ <u>     </u>	x\$ 50 \$ <u>     </u>
Indep	<u>1</u>	Minus * <u>3</u>	<u>     </u>	x \$100 \$ <u>     </u>	x\$200 \$ <u>     </u>
First Presentation of Mul Dep Claim.....				x \$180 \$ <u>     </u>	x\$360 \$ <u>     </u>
Total Additional Fee.....				\$ <u>     </u>	\$ <u>     </u>

\* The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (Total or Independent) is the highest number of claims filed originally or highest number found from equivalent box of a prior amendment.

  X   This response is being filed within the period for response.

      Applicant(s) hereby petition for an extension from the date of the Examiner's Action as follows:

      First-Month Extension..... \$ 60.00 / \$ 120.00  
      Second-Month Extension..... \$ 225.00 / \$ 450.00  
      Third-Month Extension..... \$ 510.00 / \$1020.00

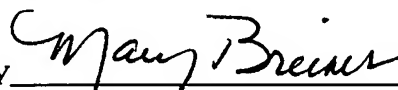
      Small entity status of this application has been established.

A Check in the amount of \$ -0- is attached hereto. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-3690 of the undersigned attorney. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 14, 2005  
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

The present application is the National phase filing based on International Application No. PCT/IT2003/000423 filed July 4, 2003. Prior to action by the Examiner in the captioned application, please amend the application as set forth below.